

Remarks

In response to the Office Action mailed November 13, 2006, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute claims 20-25 (Group II) relating to a system for removing moisture from a fuel cell, without traverse. Applicants withdraw claims 1-19 (Group I) directed to a method of freeze protection, without traverse. Applicants do so without waiver or prejudice.

Applicants have amended the elected claims for clarification purposes. Applicants have canceled the second occurrence of claim 20, amended claims 21-25 to depend on the first occurrence of claim 20, and have added new claim 26, which used to be the second occurrence of claim 20.

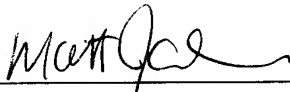
Applicants have amended several paragraphs of the specification. The amendments are fully supported by the original specification, and are typographical in nature. Applicants respectfully solicit entry of this amendment in due course.

Applicants have a co-pending continuation-in-part (CIP) application based on the present application. Applicants filed the CIP application claiming priority to this application on August 9, 2005 and the CIP has a serial number of 11/161,592. The Examiner responsible for the CIP application is Laura S. Weiner. The current status of the CIP is "Ready for Examination."

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Respectfully submitted,

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